

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Hiroshi KOHDA, et al.

Serial No.: 09/763,803

Filed: February 27, 2001



Group Art Unit: 2874

Examiner: D.E. Valencia

For: OPTICAL SWITCH, OPTICAL-FIBER-ARRAYING-MEMBER, PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF, AND ARRAYING METHOD OF OPTICAL FIBERS

THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.
 Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27
 Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEES
Total Claims	37	41	0	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	18	17	1	\$84.00 =	\$84.00
Multiple claims newly presented					\$0.00
Fee for extension of time					\$0.00
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Total of Above Calculations					\$84.00

Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$84.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

The following amendment and remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 3, 2002.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1, 3 and 20 through 24 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please rewrite claims 2, 4, 5, 7, 11, 12, 15, 37, 40 and 41 as amended herein as follows:

A) 2. (Amended) The optical switch according to claim 4, comprising a carrying device for carrying said moving-side optical fiber, and an arraying-member rotating device for rotating said optical-fiber-arraying-member, wherein said moving-side optical fiber is optically connected to said array-side optical fiber by said carrying device and said arraying-member rotating device.

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